

The Committee of Laws acquaints Mr. Speaker, they had made Choice of *Mr. Stephen Bordley* for their Clerk : The House Approves the Choice. *The House Adjourns to the Morrow Morning at 10 of the Clock.*

Saturday Morning, April 26. 1740.

THe House Met according to Adjournment.

All present that were Yesterday except *Mr. Moale*.

Col. King, Mr. Stoughton, Mr. Henry, and Mr. Gale, appeared this Day.

The Gentlemen Appointed to prepare an Address to the Governor, bring in the following : Which was Read, Approved, and Ordered to be Ingrossed.

To his Excellency **SAMUEL OGLE**, Esq; Governor of *Maryland* :

The humble Address of the House of Delegates of the said Province.

May it please your Excellency,

WE his Majesty's Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, the Delegates of the Freemen of *Maryland*, in Assembly Convened, Return your Excellency Thanks for your kind Speech at the opening this Session, as also, for calling us together at this, the usual time of Meeting, and giving us such firm Assurances of your Excellency's Endeavours to cultivate a good Agreement between the several Parts of the Legislature; a Matter which, as we apprehend it essential to the true Interest of the Province, we are sincerely desirous to pursue and forward by all reasonable Means, consistent with our Duty to his Majesty, Regard to his Lordship, and the great Trust reposed in us by our Constituents.

What Foundation your Excellency had to hope for receiving an Answer from the Lord Proprietary to the Address of the Lower House *Ordered* at our last Meeting to be presented to him, we are at a loss to know, since from the Measures of your Excellency and Officers in Council, the Gentlemen appointed by us, have not been able to gain Transcripts of such Records as were applied for, and necessary to be transmitted to *Great Britain*, previous to the presenting that Address to his Lordship by our Agent; and if your Excellency had not communicated it, we could hardly have persuaded ourselves, that his Lordship had never heard any thing of that Address, as a Copy thereof was so long since required of our Clerk, and not being insensible of the great and early Care that was taken by the Government to apprize his Lordship as well of that Address, as of every other material Transaction at our last Meeting.

Your Excellency's recommending Temper and Moderation in our Proceedings is most agreeable to us, being what we have ever regarded in all our past, and shall endeavour to make the Rule of our future Conduct; and